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#### WOMEN'S TASK IN COMPULSORY EDUCATION

The successful execution of compulsory education is the foundation of the development of our democratic republic. In the northern half of our republic the laying of the groundwork for a complete realization of compulsory education is progressing, but we are still far from our ultimate objective. Therefore, there are a number of things that mothers in the North can and must do for the sake of our Fatherland.

1. There are many localities where a compulsory education system has yet to be instituted. This situation constitutes a serious threat to the well-being of our nation. Whatever we can do to help popularize compulsory education in the North would be an immeasurable contribution.

2. In bringing about a satisfactory compulsory education system there are a number of things that must be done with as little delay as possible. The most important task are constructing new schools, repairing old school buildings, acquiring adequate classroom equipment, etc. These things will require large sums of money as well as building materials. It is, therefore, urged that housewives must give any amount of rice left over; farmers must give as much patriotic rice as possible, and raise and give livestock; we must give whatever amount of our wages we can spare; merchants and office workers must give to the best of their ability.

3. The construction of school buildings and playgrounds requires much labor. It is the duty of mothers to participate in the work as much as possible.

4. Mothers of preschool children have a very important function to perform. Young children must be brought up under sane and healthy conditions. This is one of the essential elements in successful compulsory education.

5. Parents must do everything to make children wish to go to school, and at the same time make school affairs just as important as family affairs.

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6. Mothers who have adequate teaching qualification must make themselves available and do a certain amount of teaching as an aid to the development of compulsory education in North Korea.

7. Mothers must join the School-Mother Society, and give both material and moral support.

8. Mothers who need to learn to read and write must go to adult education classes or take the short adult education course so that they will be able to read newspapers and other printed materials.

9. By helping compulsory education, mothers will be making a direct contribution to the central government and you will be helping to destroy American imperialism and reactionaries in the southern half of our Fatherland. That is precisely why we must work hard to make compulsory education successful in the North.

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